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REMARKS

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1. 5th Border Guard Bn

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Location: Hq of the 5th Bn and the 13th Co in the barracks on Teleki Street, GYOR (P 48/Y 44).
 14th Co in MOSONSZENTJANOS (P 48/Y 05).
 15th Co in the barracks of MOSONMAGYAROVAR (P 48/Y 16).
CO: Col BARANYAI, a fanatic Communist (successor to Maj Josef PAPP).

Guarding Area: According to an order issued at the beginning of June 1949, the components of the 5th Border Guard Bn employed along the Austrian Border were subordinated to the 6th Border Guard Bn. The border guard post in RAJKA (P 48/Y 07), situated at the left wing of the 5th Bn on the Slovakian border, was divided between the 5th and the 6th Bns.

Construction of Field Obstacles: Engineer troops who were to lay mine fields along the border arrived in RAJKA about 7 June 1949.

Training: The battalion did intensive infantry training including marching exercises of several days.

2. 1st Border Guard Bn

The deserter was assigned to the 1st Border Guard Bn up to 26 October 1948. Until then the battalion was located in the following military posts:

Hq and Tng Co in SZORENCS (R 49/K 28)
 1st Co in SARISPATAK (R 49/K 59)
 2d Co in SATORALJAUJHELY (R 49/E 50).
 3rd Co in HIDASZENETY (R 49/E 21).

In the border sector controlled by the battalion there were no fortifications on Hungarian territory, but wire entanglements, watchtowers and trip-wires attached to signal rockets were on Soviet territory, as the reporting deserter learned from fellow-soldiers.

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Comment: The information on the 5th and 1st Border Guard Bns essentially confirms previous reports. It can be assumed that the line dividing the border sectors of the 5th and the 6th Border Guard Bn runs through the point where the borders of Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Austria converge. Previous information on the induction of the 1926 and 1927 classes is confirmed by the deserter.

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